simplifications. The policy initiatives of the Government influence the investment decisions of the entrepreneurs and the investment intentions normally take 4 to 5 years time to fructify and contribute to industrial production.

Child Labour Contribution to GNP

847. DR. B.B. DUTTA: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether child labour contributes more than 20 per cent of the country's GNP;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the percentage of GNP contributed by child labour from First to Eighth Five Year Plan period, plan-wise; and

(d) the names of other Asian countries where child labour contributes over 10 per cent of the GNP?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (DR SATYA NARAYAN JATIYA): (a) to (c) The estimates of National Product are derived from the estimates of Domestic Product, which are compiled by kind of economic activity and by broad institutional categories, like organized and unorgnized and public sectors. These estimates are not made by age-group.

(b) No such information is available.

Working of Sub-regional Employment Exchange, Curzon Road

848. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM,: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased refer to Unstarred Question 361 given in the Rajya Sabha on 27th July, 1998 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that pendency is tremendously increasing day by day in the Sub-Regional Employemnt Exchange, Curzon Road, New Delhi;

(b) whether it is also a fact that some Members of Parliament have apprised through the letter dated 7th September, 1998 about numerous irregularities of the present S.R.E.O./Curzon Road; and

(c) if so, the comments of Director, Employment Exchanges and the guidelines of CVC to allow to continue the said officer on such a sensitive seat?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (DR. SATYA NARAYAN JATIYA): (a) Though there was increase in the number of pendencies in the Sub-Regional Employment Exchange, Curzon Road, now functioning at Kirby Place, Delhi Cantt. for sometime in the past but the pendencies prior to 30.08.1998 have now been liquidated.

(b) The allegations made in the letter are still under enquiry by the Anti-Corruption Branch, Dte. of Vigilance, Govt. of National Capital Territory of Delhi.

(c) The Sub-Regional Employment Officer concerned has been transferred in public interest.

Unemployed Persons in Manipur

849. SHRI J. CHITHARAJAN:
SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA:

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) the number of unemployed in live register of employment exchanges in Manipur at the end of the years 1995, 1996 and 1997; and

(b) the number of new registrants and placements during these years?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (DR. SATYA NARAYAN JATIYA): (a) and (b) The number of job seekers, all of whom need not necessarily be unemployed, registered and placed by the Employment Exchanges in Manipur during 1995, 1996 & 1997 together with the Live Register were as follows:

(In thousand)